I.C.P.O. Calendar

22-30 September 2005

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I.C.P.O. Calendar (Sep 22 - 30, 2005)
Islands, Castles & Portable Operations
Operations are listed by start date (Day/Month/Year)
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22/09/2005: Look for Richard, G3CWI/p, to be active September 22nd from Winter Hill summit (SOTA reference G/SP-010), Southern Pennines Region. Activity will be on 7.030 MHz CW only, starting around 14:30 UTC. QSL via home call. [Tnx SOTA UK]

22/09/2005: Kurt, HB9AFI, will be active September 22nd as HB9AFI/p from Schopfenspitz summit (SOTA reference HB/FR-015), Fribourg Region, Switzerland. Activity will be on 7.030 MHz CW and 14.285 MHz SSB, starting at 09:15 UTC. QSL via home call. [Tnx SOTA UK]

22/09/2005: Look for Terry, K7TD/p, to be QRV September 22-23rd from near Hermit Peak in Colorado's Sangre de Christo mountain range, Custer county Colorado. Activity will be on the normal QRP frequencies. QSL via home call. [Tnx K7TD]

22/09/2005: Look for ON4BB and ON5JE to be QRV until September 27th as SV5/homecall from Rhodes (IOTA EU-001, MIA MGD-028). QSL via their home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx rsgbiota.org]

23/09/2005: Weather permitting, Salvatore will be active September 23rd (07:00 UTC) as I1/IT9VQC/p from the Torre Saracena di Diano Calderina a Diano Marona (DCI reference IM-105, for the Italian Castles Award), Region of Liguria, Province of Imperia (IM). Activity will be on 40 and 20 meter SSB. QSL via home call, direct or via the bureau. [Tnx F5NQL]

23/09/2005: Look for Sergio IK4JPR, Franco IK4GLV and Vanni IK4RUX to be QRV September 23rd as IP1/homecall from Tinetto Island (IOTA EU-083, IIA SP-003, MIA MI-113). Activity will be on all HF bands, with emphasis on 40, 30, 20 and 15 meter CW (07:00-15:00 UTC). QSL via home calls, direct or via the bureau. [Tnx rsgbiota.org]

23/09/2005: Raimondo, IZ8BQE, has joined the team - already including SU1ER, SU1KM, SU1KA, IK6CAC, IZ8CCW, I8LWL and IK8VRH - that will operate from Giftun Island during the week of September 23-30th. The callsign to be used from this IOTA new one will be SU8GFTN (not SU8GFT as previously announced), while when they are not on the island, the will use different callsigns (for instance, SU/IZ8CCW). QSL SU8GFTN via IZ8CCW, others via operator's instructions. The web site for the operation can be found at http://www.mdxc.org/su8gftn/. [Tnx 425 DX News]

23/09/2005: Flo, F5CWU, will operate as TK/F5CWU from Corsica (IOTA EU-014, IIA TK-001, MIA MCO-001) between September 23rd and October 2nd, including an entry in the CQ/RJ DX RTTY Contest. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx 425 DX News]

24/09/2005: Jun, JH4RHF/OE1ZKC, plans to QRV from Lesotho starting September 24th for one week. The call which has been requested is 7P8RH. QSL to OE1ZKC. [Tnx JH4RHF]

24/09/2005: Dean, 8P6SH, will be active from Barbados (IOTA NA-021) as 8P2K during the CQ WW DX RTTY Contest (September 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via KU9C. [Tnx OPDX]

24/09/2005: Andrea, IV3SKB, will be active from Ilha do Sal (IOTA AF-086), Cape Verde, as D44TD, during the CQ WW DX RTTY Contest (September 24-25th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m)/High-Power entry. Listen to the operator for QSL route. [Tnx OPDX]

24/09/2005: Nicolas, F4DTL/p, will activate the Castle of Trousseau (DFCF reference DFCF 91-038 for the French Castles Award), located in the commune of Ris Orangis (WW Loc. JN18FP) September 24-25th. Activity will be on 40 meters. The castle will also be activated on VHF and UHF at the beginning of October. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx F4DTL]

24/09/2005: Fran?ois F5JNE and Claude F5MCC plan to be QRV September 24th as F5JNE/p from the Castle of Bourbilly (DFCF reference 21-037 for the French Castles Award, DDCF 21-33, CP 21140, Grid JN27), Department C?te d'Or (21), Province of Burgundy. Activity will start at 06:00 UTC on 40 meter CW and SSB. QSL via F5JNE, direct or via the bureau. SWL cards are welcome. [Tnx F5NQL]

24/09/2005: The special event station callsign, GB0SM, will be activated from St. Mary's, Isles of Scilly (IOTA EU-011), September 24th to October 1st. Activity will be CW, SSB and possibly some Digital. Bands will be 160-6 meters. QSL via the Bureau, direct to G0PSE or by E-mail. G0PSE's address is: Tom Taylor, 19 Derwent Grove, Taunton, Somerset TA1 2NJ, England. E-mail requests for Bureau QSL go to: g0pse@qsl.net . The on-line log will be updated to include the new QSOs AFTER the DXpedition members return home - so don't check to see if you are in the log until a further announcement is made that the log has been brought up-to-date. Web page is at: http://www.qsl.net/gb0sm [Tnx OPDX]

24/09/2005: A multi-disciplinary expedition to Kure Atoll (IOTA OC-020, the northernmost Hawaiian atoll, will be carried out between September 22th and October 9th (Operation between September 24th-October 6th). The expedition team is an international group of highly experienced radio amateurs and field scientists. They will activate Kure for radio amateurs worldwide, using the callsign K7C, and also implement an innovative satellite-internet system (DXA) for real-time display of the expedition activities. In addition to the radio operations, the team will carry out a variety of projects in support of the wildlife sanctuary on Kure, including a study of invasive ants, documentation of shipwrecks, and collection of representative speciemens of marine organisms. The expedition team consists of the following: Expedition Leader/DXA development - Robert Schmieder/KK6EK; Co-organizer/Antennas - Garry Shaprio/NI6T; Co-organizer/Satellite Link - Alan Maenchen/AD6E; MESS (Medical, emergency, safety, sanitation) - Alan Eshleman, K6SRZ; European operations - Franz Langer, DJ9ZB; Equipment/Logistics - John Kennon, N7CQQ; Radio Equipment - Mike Mraz, N6MZ and Ward Silver, N0AX; Information - Ann Santos, WA1S; Electrical Power - Charlie Spetenagel, W6KK and Relay Stations - Steve Wright, VE7CT. QSL Manager is Tom Harrell, N4XP. QSL Route: K7C KURE DXPEDITION 2005, K4TSJ, Box 1, Watkinsville, GA 30677. [Tnx OPDX]

24/09/2005: Ken, K7ZUM, will be active from Sint Maarten (IOTA NA-105) as PJ7/K7ZUM in the CQ Worldwide DX RTTY Contest (September 24-25th) as

a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via K7ZUM. Ken informs OPDX that this real "quick" trip, just long enough for the RTTY contest: setup late Thursday and Friday, work contest, tear down after contest, leave Monday morning. Ken would have liked to have made it longer, but it did not work out that way. However, he will be back on the beach in November for the CQWW CW Contest with a Butternut vertical and a K2 at 100 watts. QSL via home call. [Tnx OPDX]

24/09/2005: Yuri RV6BC will be active September 24-25th as RV6BC/6 from the Zelenchuksky area (RDA KC-04, RMMA RM-03-16 for the Russian Maritime Mobile Award), Republic of Karachaevo-Cherkessia (KC). QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx RX3RC]

24/09/2005: Alexey RA3AKF will be active September 24-25th as UE3FAP from the Lukhovitsky area (RDA MO-71), Moscowskaya oblast (MO). QSL via RA3AKF, direct or via the bureau. [Tnx RX3RC]

24/09/2005: Gail, K2RED, will be active from the Turks and Caicos Islands as VP5RED during the CQ Worldwide DX RTTY Contest (September 24-25th). Operation class is TBD - LP. Look for some SSB/RTTY operations as VP5/K2RED prior to contest. QSL via K2RED. [Tnx OPDX]

24/09/2005: Operators Al K7AR, Robert W7YAQ, Scot K9JY and Will N7OU will be active from Bermuda (IOTA NA-005) as VP9/K7AR, from VP9GE's QTH, during the CQ/RJ WW DX RTTY Contest (September 24-25th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via K7AR. [Tnx OPDX]

25/09/2005: Wayne, K9YNF, will be active as K9YNF/KH6 from Kauai Island (IOTA OC-019, USI HI-003S, Kauai County), Hawaii, between September 25th and October 1st. Look for him on 20, 17, 12 and 10 meter SSB around the usual IOTA frequencies (+/- 14.260, 18.128, 24.950, 28.460 and 28.560). QSL via K9YNF direct, with SASE or SAE with large IRCs. [Tnx USI]

25/09/2005: Hadi, DJ2PJ/OH0JWH, will be active as OH0P from Ecker?, Aland Islands (IOTA EU-002), near ?verby (WW Loc. JP90TF) from September 25th to October 7th. He plans to operate on all bands (6 meters excluded) CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK, MFSK, SSTV and Hell, and to focus on 160-30 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau (e-mail requests for bureau cards can be sent to oh0jwh@dj2pj.de). [Tnx 425 DX News]

25/09/2005: Bob (VA3QV/VA3RCS) and Martin (VA3SIE) will be cycling into Maple Island (CIsA ON-NEW!!, not IOTA) and activating it for the Canadian Islands Award Program September 25th. They will be operating QRP with an FT-817 and Elecraft KX-1 transceivers, battery powered. Further information and details can be found on their web site at http://www.sunim.plus.com/maple/index.html . [Tnx VA3SIE]

27/09/2005: Serge, F6AML, and possibly with some other former TO7C gang members plan to be active from Reunion Island (IOTA AF-016, DIFO FR-001) between September 27th and October 23rd. Serge also plans a short trip to Mayotte (IOTA AF-027, DIFO FH-001), between October 10 to 14th. Activity will be on 40-10 meter CW and SSB, using the former TO7C frequencies. No specific callsigns were given. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx F5NQL]

28/09/2005: Look for Richard, G3CWI/p, to be active from Sharp Haw (SOTA reference G/NP-029) starting at 12:00 UTC and from Thorpe Fell Top (SOTA reference G/NP-025) starting at 15:00 UTC. Both references are located in the Northern Pennines region. Activity will be on 7.030,

10.106 and 14.060 MHz CW only. QSL via home call. [Tnx SOTA]

28/09/2005: Nando IT9YRE (T32Y), Claudio I1SNW (T32SNW) and Alfio IT9EJW (T32EJW) will be QRV September 28th to October 15th from Flint Island (IOTA OC-NEW!). If they are unable to land on Flint Island, they will move on to Vostok Island in the same group. The second new one will be Caroline Island (aka Millennium Island). Activity will be on all bands and modes. QSL all three calls via IT9YRE (QRZ.com). [Tnx rsgbiota.org]

28/09/2005: John WB6Z (T88US) and some JA operators will be active and celebrate the 11th anniversary of the Republic of Palau's Independence Day, between 1300z, September 28th and 1300z, October 2nd. They are now applying to the PTT for extra permission and a special station call T80Z. Activity will mainly be on SSB on 80-6 meters and VoIP (Echolink, WIRES?!!). QSL via WB6Z: P.O. Box 746, Mercer Island, WA 98040 U.S.A. (w/SASE or SAE+IRC to PO Box address only). No via BUREAU QSLs. [Tnx OPDX]

30/09/2005: Members of the Russian Robinson Club are proud to announce a DXpedition to Aldabra (AF-025) and Farquhar (AF-035) Islands scheduled for late September and early October. Their tentative schedule (and callsigns) is: S79RRC/A - Aldabra Island, September 30th-October 2nd; S79RRC/F - Farquhar Island, October 5-7th. The team will be: Sergey RA3NAN (S79NAN), Eugene RZ3EC (S79EC) and Andy RZ3EM (S79RRC). They are expected to dedicate 3 days of operation to each island. For more details and updates, visit the Web page at: www.qso.ru/s79rrc [Tnx OPDX]

30/09/2005: Stephan, DK3TNA, plans to be QRV from the island of Crete (IOTA EU-014, MIA MGC-005) as SV9/DK3TNA from September 30 to October 12, 2005. Activity will be on 80-10 meter SSB. QSL via home call, bureau preferred, or direct (QRZ.com). [Tnx rsgbiota.org]

30/09/2005: Look for Bodo, DL3OCH, to be active as W4/DL3OCH from Key West (IOTA NA-062, USI FL-040S, Monroe county), Florida, between September 30th and November 4th. Activity will be CW only, with the possibility of activity from other IOTAs as well. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx rsgbiota.org]

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LOOKING AHEAD -

19/10/2005: Dov 4Z4DX will be active as 4Z4DX/p from Akhziv Island (IOTA AS-100) between October 19-21st. He will operate mostly on 20 meter (14260+/-) SSB, also 7005, 10105, 14040, and 18070 kHz CW, with 14080 kHz RTTY. QSL via home call. Added note: Dov sent out all the direct QSL requests for 4X0AI on 15 September, 2005. [Tnx 4Z4DX]

22/10/2005: Javi, EA5KM and Toni, EA5RM will be working in a Radioamateurs Without Frontiers NGO's project (http://www.rsf-rwf.org) in Tanzania between October 22nd and 31st. Please do not expect a lot of activity on the bands during the first days, because they will be working on the installation of two HF stations solar powered to a couple of medical dispensaries located in a remote part of northern Tanzania. Activity will be during their free time on SSB, CW and digital modes using the call 5H2AG from 10 to 40 meters and 80 meters CW. They also plan to take part in the CQWW SSB. Since 5H2 has not been very active on the air it will be interesting for prefix hunters. Log on line will be available at www.rsf-rwf.org . QSL direct to EA5RM (QRZ.com).

Contributions received with the QSL will be donated to RWF NGO. [Tnx EA5RM]

25/11/2005: Ned, AA7A, plans to be active on 6 meters from Mali as part of the TZ5A group from November 25-29th. He will us the TZ5A call on 6 meters. QSL via G3SXW, direct or bureau. [Tnx UKSMG]

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73 and Good Hunting!
Dave Raycroft - VA3RJ

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